

BOARD OF PRIVATE INVESTIGATIVE & SECURITY SERVICES
Secretary of State, Office of Professional Regulation
National Life Building, North, Floor 2, Montpelier, VT 05620-3402

UNAPPROVED MINUTES
Meeting of February 27, 2009

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M.

Members present: Robert Edwards, Chair; James Eckhardt, Vice - Chair; Emma Pudvah and Stacey Nelson, Public members

Members absent: Michael Jennings

OPR Personnel: Patty Skinner, Administrative Assistant and Carla Preston, Unit Administrator

Others present: Glen MacIntyre, Andre Walker, Kendall Barnes, Michael Toomey, Gary Miville, Jeremy Spaulding, Roberta Penchina, David Wolfe, Elisa Zaroni, Michael Aher and William Burgess.

2. The Chair called for approval of the Minutes of the January 16th meeting. Ms. Pudvah made a motion, which was seconded, to approve the minutes as read.

3. **Reports**

- a. It was reported that we currently have eleven (09) open cases.

4. **Hearings/Stipulations/Reports of Concluded Investigations**

5. **Legislation/Rulemaking**

- a. The Board will have to address statute changes that have to be reviewed.

6. **Applications for Licensure**

- a. Roberta Penchina – As an instructor of Green Mountain Concert Services 40 hour Basic Training Program. Tabled in January for a personal appearance. Based on the information provided, Mr. Eckhardt made a motion, seconded by Ms. Nelson, to approve Ms. Penchina as an instructor. Motion passed unanimously.
- b. Defense Investigators Group – Request for approval of 40 hour Basic Training Course. The Board reviewed the training program submitted, and would like the instructors as well as the qualifying agent to attend our next meeting.
- c. Michael Aher – As an instructor of Guardsmark’s 40 hour Basic Training Program. Based on the information provided, Mr. Eckhardt made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pudvah, to approve Mr. Aher as an instructor. Motion passed unanimously.

- d. Daniel Baillargeon – Unarmed security guard with US Security Associates. Based on the information provided, Ms. Pudvah made a motion, seconded by Ms. Nelson, to table Mr. Baillargeon’s application for a personal appearance. Motion passed unanimously.
- e. Michael Lane – Request for waiver of the 40 hour training program. Based on the information provided, Mr. Edwards made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eckhardt, to approve the requested waiver of training. Motion passed unanimously.
- f. Michael Toomey – Unarmed private investigator with Veracity Research. The Board went into executive session at 9:12 and out at 9:39 a.m. Based on the information provided, Mr. Eckhardt made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pudvah to table for the next meeting for documentation of previously held licenses. Motion passed unanimously.
- g. Steven Ford – Unarmed security guard with Censor Security, Inc. Requesting a waiver of all training with the exception of Vermont Legal Issues. Based on the information provided, Mr. Edwards made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pudvah, to waive all training not related to Vermont law or Vermont specific training. Mr. Eckhardt recused. Motion passed unanimously.
- h. Veracity Research Co. – Request for approval of 40 hour Basic Training Course. Based on the information provided, Mr. Edwards made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pudvah, to request a personal appearance of the qualifying agent and all instructors. Motion passed unanimously.

7. Training Program Review

Securitas

The following were present from Securitas to present their new training program to the Board:

Kendal Barnes – Qualifying Agent

Glen MacIntyre – Instructor

Andre Walker

Gary Miville

Mr. MacIntyre – gave a presentation of what they currently have approved, and submitted some changes for approval of the Board using more power point presentations.

The Board thanked the personnel from Securitas. Based on the information presented, Mr. Edwards made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eckhardt, to approve the new program as submitted.

8. Miscellaneous Correspondence

9. Budget Review - tabled

10. Public Comment

11. Other Business Introduced

- a. Mr. William Burgess was present to discuss ID pictures on licenses. Ms. Preston, Unit Administrator, addressed the question, and explained to Mr. Burgess that we have only been live

for two weeks on our new licensing system, and requested more time to determine what this system is capable of and the related time and cost involved.

- b. Gary Leroux was present to discuss his Masters Firearms training, and if he could use it for recertification at time of renewal. The Board approved the training that Mr. Leroux had received as being appropriate for this purpose.
 - c. A letter was received from Gary Turgeon requesting to be licensed after passing the 40 hour training course and passing the qualifying agents examination. Mr. Turgeon had been before the Board previously, and it was the consensus of the Board that Mr. Turgeon could be licensed as soon as these two components were met.
12. The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for **March 20, 2009** at **9:00 AM**.
15. The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Skinner, Administrative Asst.